A Radio Message for YOU!

The Mission Trail

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"LIFT UP YOUR EYES, AND LOOK ON THE FIELDS; FOR THEY ARE WHITE ALREADY TO HARVEST." — JOHN 4:35

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Christ Is Alive for Evermore

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He Did It All for Me

The Saviour came from heav'n above
That I from sin might be made free;
The gift of God's eternal love,
He did it all for me.

For me He came, for me He died,
For me He rose in victory;
The law of God was satisfied,
He did it all for me.

He bore temptation, sin and shame,
And gave His all on Calvary;
Eternal life is in His name,
He did it all for me.

He went into the dismal grave,
And conquered death in victory,
My soul from sin and woe to save,
He did it all for me.

Friends, I am glad today that I am serving a resurrected and living Christ. Listen to this text from Revelation 1:18. "I am he that liveth, and was dead; and, behold, I am alive for evermore."

Then the account of the resurrection of our Lord as recorded in the 28th chapter of Matt. --"In the end of the sabbath, as it began to dawn toward the first day of the week, came Mary Magdalene and the other Mary to see the sepulchre.

"And, behold, there was a great earthquake: for the angel of the Lord descended from heaven, and came and rolled back the stone from the door, and sat upon it. His countenance was like lightning, and his raiment white as snow: And for fear of him the keepers did shake, and became as dead men.

"And the angel answered and said unto the women, Fear not ye: for I know that ye seek Jesus, which was crucified. He is not here: for he is risen, as he said. Come, see the place where the Lord lay.

"And go quickly, and tell his disciples that he is risen from the dead; and, behold, he goeth before you into Galilee; there shall ye see him: lo, I have told you. And they departed quickly from the sepulchre with fear and great joy; and did run to bring his disciples word."

Now this is a story that is an old one, and we have heard it for years, even since our childhood, but it is one which has a meaning to it because it makes us to know that it is through the burial and resurrection of our Lord that we also have hope. The 14th chapter of John and the 19th verse says it in a beautiful way, "because I live, ye shall live also".

Perhaps you would like to hear, "Tell Me the Story of Jesus". The singers are Bobby and Dorral Forbes, Melvin Doolittle, and Randall Flynn.

Tell me the story of Jesus,
Write on my heart every word;
Tell me the story most precious,
Sweetest that ever was heard.
Tell how the angels in chorus,
Sang as they welcomed his birth
Glory to God in the highest,
Peace and good tidings to earth.

Tell me the story of Jesus,
Write on my heart every word;
Tell me the story most precious,
Sweetest that ever was heard.

Tell of the cross where they nailed him,
Writhing in anguish and pain;
Tell of the grave where they laid him,
Tell how he liveth again.
Love in that story so tender,
Clearer than ever I see;
Stay, let me weep while you whisper,
Love paid the ransom for me.

Let me point out that the resurrection of our Lord was more than just a restoration of a physical body. In I Corinthians the 15th chapter and verse 20 we read, "But now is Christ risen from the dead, and become the firstfruits of them that slept." Notice that word "firstfruits". Do you know what that means? It certainly does not mean that Christ was the first one who was brought back to life after he had been dead.

Elijah had restored life to the son of the widow woman who had fed him during the drought. And Elisha brought back to life the child of the Shunammite woman. Another time there was a very unusual thing which happened. But let me read this one to you from II Kings the 13th chapter and verses 20 and 21. "And Elisha died, and they buried him. And the bands of the Moabites invaded the land at the coming in of the year. And it came to pass, as they were burying a man, that, behold, they spied a band of men; and they cast the man into the sepulchre of Elisha: and when the man was let down, and touched the bones of Elisha, he revived, and stood up on his feet."

So you see, there were a number of people brought back to life after they had died. Christ himself was instrumental in restoring three different ones to life again.

But here is the difference. All of these people were restored to a temporal body only. When Christ came forth from the grave he possessed a supernatural body, or we might say a "spiritual body". This indeed was a body likened unto a natural body, but it possessed certain characteristics over which death had no more power.

He was the first one resurrected with a glorified body which is not subject to death again. Now it is in Him and through Him that we also possess a hope of a resurrection in His own likeness. If you have not this hope within your soul, you should seek him until you know that he lives within your heart. Let us pray.

Our Father,

We know it was through the suffering and death of our Lord that we have remission of sins, but our hope is not complete without the resurrection. May we ever be conscious of a resurrected Christ who is alive forevermore. And help us to realize more fully that it is through Him we shall also be raised in his likeness, and to thee we will give the praise through Christ our Lord. Amen

Friends, it has been a pleasure to bring you this message on the air as we

do each week over this same station. We are looking to God and those who enjoy the broadcast along with the printed copies to help us keep His word on the air and going through the mail. We appreciate and need your prayers and co-operation. If we may be of any help to you, be sure to let us know, or if you would like a printed copy of today's message, you may have one free of charge without cost or obligation. Address your letter to THE MISSION TRAIL, Guthrie, Oklahoma.

Here now is a song, "Teach Me, Lord, to Wait". The singers are Lynn and Alma Carver, Arnett and Genevieve Carver.

Now, friends, I hope that you will not be one of those who go to church today just to show your new clothes, but that you will attend the services of God with His people and worship Him in spirit and in truth. It does make a difference how you worship God. He is ever looking for those who serve Him according to the Word and the Spirit.

If you are not familiar with any saints living in your area, those who believe the Bible and practice it, write to us and we will be glad to tell you where you may find others who love the Lord and His people. Address your letter to THE MISSION TRAIL, Guthrie, Okla.

And be sure to be with us again next Sunday on this same station at this same time for another broadcast of THE MISSION TRAIL. Until then this is Willie Murphey saying a very pleasant good-bye!

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"I am the resurrection and the life; he that believeth in me, though he were dead, yet shall he live." John 11:25

From Ohio: "Dear Beloved saints at the Mission Trail, Greetings of profound love and glorious peace in the name of our Lord Jesus. It is indeed a pleasure to write to God's children whom we love so very much. I hope at this writing all are well in soul and body. I appreciate your efforts in the work of our God. We always enjoy reading the inspiring Word of God from the Mission Trail. I especially was blessed from reading the March 15 issue of 'Putting First Things First'. Surely if we put the will of God above all our desires, ways, and thoughts, we will be more than a conqueror in all our tribulations. I particularly took interest in the example of Joshua and the children of Israel when they took Jericho. You stated that they obeyed God, shouted the victory, and the walls crumbled before them. I'd like to correct you if I may please. The walls fell down flat. To me this represents complete victory. The devil was utterly defeated because they obeyed the voice of the Lord. . . Surely obedience to our Lord compels the devil to 'fall down flat'. Please remember my husband in your earnest prayers. Love and prayers," --Kay Williams

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From Oklahoma: "Dear Bro. and Sis. Murphey, I'm saved and encouraged to live for God. . . I have a very special request I desire you to remember much. Pray that I will be as humble as the Lord will have me at all times. Please remember my special request. . . Love to the family. I am glad for the tremendous efforts that are being made by Bro. Dale and others for the benefit of those who are laboring in the harvest in Mexico. I know that God will richly reward him and all for their every kindness. May God's richest blessings be yours. Yours for Christ," --Elnora Conley

Testimonies

From Colorado: "Dear Bro. Murphey and family and Saints of the Lord, Greetings in Jesus' dear name. I thank the Lord for all of you and that He has given us instruction and a command to pray for one another, and I have never had anyone that's a stranger to me to touch my heart so deeply as little Ruth Gaines and her parents. I am praying that God will get glory to his name. . . In Christ's service,"

--Fred B. Allen

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From Oklahoma: ". . . This morning finds me saved to all I know and understand, thanking the dear Lord for all his blessings to us. If people would only look around and count their blessings, they surely could not feel like complaining. We have so much to be thankful for--salvation, health, food, clothing, shelter and so many other things. Let us all remember the saints' children in prayer. . . I surely have enjoyed my Mission Trail no. 3 big book. It seems there are so many things I missed some way before, and it is good to read it again. There are several pictures of the dear saints that have made heaven."

--Sister Leonard Roberts

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From Washington: "Dear Brother Murphey and family, It is a beautiful day here in Yakima. Everything is getting so pretty and green. About three weeks ago Sister Spaur and Sister Evalee Stice came from Jefferson, Oregon to visit me. We enjoy them so much. . . We had a nice long talk and Sister Spaur prayed for me. God blessed my soul, but I still need prayer for my body. It's so hard to get around, as I am so sore in body. . ."

--Sister Carrie Westrope

From Arkansas: "Dear Bro. Willie and wife, Just a note. I enjoy the broadcast so much. Since we found out we could get you, I don't think I've missed any. I also enjoy so much the paper. I have that deep settled peace within since God gloriously sanctified me. Have enjoyed the blessings of God and I am reading and learning more about Him. I haven't written until now, but felt I should testify. Do hope this offering helps in some small way. Please remember each of us in your prayers. I do love our Lord."

--Odessa Cryer

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From Oklahoma: ". . . I have been reading your Mission Trail paper for a few months. I really enjoy reading them and all the good testimonies. I truly want to live for God and do all I can to please Him. Bless his dear name! . . . I know we are serving a true and living God. He is not dead. I thank Him for everything which comes my way. In I John, 3rd chapter and 1st verse, 'Behold what manner of love the Father hath bestowed upon us, that we should be called the sons of God: therefore the world knoweth us not, because it knew him not.' So pray for me. I have some afflictions upon my body I know the Lord can heal. He has healed me so many times. With love in Christ," --Fannie Henderson

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From Arkansas: ". . . Just a few lines to send greetings to all at the work shop and everywhere. I thank the dear Lord for what He means to me. In these troubled times we just don't know what will be next. . . His word tells us when we see all these things coming to pass to look up for our redemption draweth nigh. . . We had Sister Ruth with us Sunday. She brought a good message. With love and prayers," --Nellie West

From Oklahoma: "Dear Bro. Willie and family, Greetings of love in Jesus dear name. We trust this will find you all well and rejoicing happily in the dear Lord. We are praying that God will supply all your needs so you will stay on the air so it will be a blessing to others. . ." --Sister Tempie Crisp

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From California: ". . . This is another beautiful day which the Lord has made to rejoice and be glad in. Praise the Lord, I'm walking with my cane. . . Yes, the sudden death of Sis. Beulah was a shock to all. She looked real sweet with a little smile, at rest in Jesus. Life is so uncertain, death is sure. It's my desire to make Heaven my eternal home. God bless you. Love," --Sister Dottie Henry

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From Louisiana: "Dear Bro. Willie, Frances and family, Greetings of love in Jesus precious name. God bless you in your labors and efforts in getting the truth to precious souls. . . We trust it will prove a real blessing as the truth goes forth. We enjoy the message over the radio and the singing. . . I'm still saved and happy in the Lord. Truly this great salvation satisfies my soul. . . Pray for us. Love and prayers," --Audrey Baumgartner

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From Texas: ". . . Our God is so good to us. I love him. I want to testify of the dear Lord's goodness to me. Recently I had a real sore foot. . . but our God never fails us. St. Luke 18:7-8, 'And shall not God avenge his own elect, which cry day and night unto him, tho he bear long with them? I tell you that He will avenge them speedily. Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?' Lord, increase our faith. God healed my foot. Thanks so much to him!"

--Sister Essie Moore

From Oregon: ". . . I want to send a little gift to help you in the gospel work you are doing. I do love the Lord and want to do all I can in helping to save lost souls. I know my time is short at the longest. I will be 87 if I live till April the 25th. . . I have been serving the Lord since I was about 14 years old. O! how good He has been to me. It is so precious to serve Him when you are young. I can testify it is good to live for the Lord when you are young, and then how precious when we are old. There is no other way to live to be happy and have a successful life. I raised a family of nine children, eight girls and a boy. I don't know how people can raise a family without the Lord. My children honor and respect me in my old age. . . I need your prayers while living in this home of old people. I wonder how many are ready to meet the Lord. I want to be an example and help in any way I can. It means so much. . ." --Sister O. K. Myers

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From Oregon: ". . . Greetings of love to you this beautiful morning. We are praising the Lord for his wonderful salvation. This is what Easter means to us--the gift of salvation. We are having good messages. Bro. Doolittle and Bro. Husky are the ministers, and the Lord is truly blessing the Word of God. This is very precious to our souls as we are going to need the Word of God more and more in our souls, because we can see the world is truly in a turmoil. It seems that the world affects the church, and oh, how we need to watch and pray that we will not drift or compromise. . . Things just don't happen, they are planned. I had this poem for years--long before it came out in the Mission Trail. I am glad you printed it because it has some deep meditation and some serious thoughts. God bless you." --Margaret Cable

From California: ". . . Greetings in Jesus' dear name. Today finds us yet saved, sanctified and appreciating God's gracious dealings in our hearts and lives. We thank Him for a heart-felt religion, and a salvation that really works, giving us power in our lives to live above sin, self, Satan and the world. Glory to His name! Remember us in your prayers as we remember you and your efforts in the gospel work. Yours in Christian love,"

--Bonnie and Ann Matthews

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From Illinois: ". . . Greetings in Jesus' name. . . Praise to our risen Saviour! He conquered death and the grave and came out alive forever. With this He conquered death for all. I, too, will leave the grave at his return and be with Jesus forevermore. Oh, glory to God! What a glad day that will be for all that are looking for the Saviour! I am so thankful to get the Mission Trail paper. We are isolated. I seldom get to hear a sermon. . . I love my Lord and all his saints. I hope and pray to get to meet the saints at the Monark Campmeeting. Agree with me in prayer that I get to go. . . With love in Christ," --Sister Lettie West

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From Oklahoma: "Dear Brother Murphey and family, Greetings to you all in much love. Hope you all are well. Thank the dear Lord for health and strength. I still enjoy the Mission Trail. Find enclosed a little offering to help keep you on the air. Bye-bye."

--M. L. Reed

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From Louisiana: ". . . Once again we send greetings of love across the miles to you. We are much encouraged in the Lord and can see him working to answer prayers in many different ways. . . Pray for us and the work here." --Sybil Goldsberry

From Arkansas: ". . . Surely hope you are having as lovely a day over in Guthrie as we are. Seems all the glory of the Lord is around us. There is more than a hint of spring in the air. The tinge of green in the big tall trees, the grass and flowers are all coming forth! Oh! the power of a resurrected Saviour brings deep joy to my heart. . . . The sad news of Sister Harmon made us feel sad. My sympathy goes out to any companion left alone. . .

"School is coming along as usual. I hope to continue to say that every word of correction I give to any child is for their good and the glory of the Lord. If I can always produce a smile for each one and be an example, I'll be pleased. I read, 'Make Straight Paths for your Feet'. The group was very attentive. They are precious and some have never heard, but I can say so little. . . The Lord opened up the way for us to begin a Sunday evening service. We have begun on faith. On Sunday evening last Sunday was good. We all got a blessing. We trust some of the time to have a minister. . .

"We are looking forward to another good 3rd Sunday all-day meeting. The dear saints really bring encouragement to us, and we all welcome them whole-heartedly. . . Bye," --Lou Bray

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"It Is Finished!"

"It is finished!" Jesus said;
Then He bowed His bruised Head,
And redemption's work was done,
On the Cross by God's own Son.
Why should you, O sinful man,
Doubt God's great redemptive plan,
And attempt by works to win
Your salvation from your sin?
O believe God's Holy Word,
And accept the risen Lord:
You will find a pardon sweet,
And a joy and peace complete. --Sel.

at press time

we understand:

Brother and Sister Frank Deitrich (left front row) are shown here with a number of others who attended the Stanley, Wisconsin Easter meeting. Bro. Albert Green came from as far away as Chicago while others lived closer. They have a nice brick building with a basement which is very suitable for such a meeting.

Kathleen and I were happy to be home again this week after an extended trip which took us as far north as Stanley, Wisconsin. Sister Frances Perkins of Tulsa accompanied us, and we were glad to be in services with Bro. and Sis. Frank Deitrich and others who attended the three day meeting there. We were also in meeting in Vera, Illinois and Kalamazoo, Mich. We were especially glad to visit a number of other isolated saints while we were both going and coming from Wisconsin. The protecting hand of God was upon us when we were involved in a collision in Illinois which resulted in considerable damage to the car, but we were marvelously protected from serious bodily injury. Sister Frances Perkins and Kathleen received only minor bruises.

Sister Evelyn Gibson reports that Bro. Darius is still very, very weak, but he did stand the trip fairly well when he and Evelyn returned to Guthrie last week. They are now staying in the home of Bro. and Sis. M. A. Davis. The brethren are taking turns about sitting up with Darius at night which is much appreciated. Those who desire to write them should send their letter in care of M. A. Davis, Route 4, Guthrie, Oklahoma 73044. Telephone (405) Bu 2-3442.

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Bro. Mart Samons brought some good messages to the Guthrie saints last week. The Easter Sunday morning service was especially well attended. Ordinance services were observed in the afternoon.

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Bro. Ernest J. Kirchner of Brownsdale, Minnesota desires prayer that he may have complete spiritual victory. We visited him on our trip this week.

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Johnny Ray reports that he attended the morning and afternoon Easter services with the Senath, Missouri congregation. Bro. Murphy Allen brought the Word, and a number were present from other places.

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From California: "Dear Saints: A special prayer request for my son Lloyd Daniels for both soul and body. He has a bleeding ulser. He had lost 2/3 of his blood when they took him to the hospital so they could give him transfusions. . . Your Sister," --Alpha Daniels

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For some it will come true: "The harvest is past, the summer is ended, and we are not saved." Jer. 8:20. Let us hasten with the message which Jesus gave: "Come unto me, all ye that labour and are heavy laden, and I will give you rest. Take my yoke upon you, and learn of me; for I am meek and lowly in heart: and ye shall find rest unto your souls."

Broadcast Schedule

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KCLO	Leavenworth, Kans.	1410 kc.	Sunday, 3:00 p.m.
WFPR	Hammond, La.	1400 kc.	Sunday, 7:45 a.m.
KCKW	Jena, La.	1480 kc.	Sunday, 7:30 a.m.
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